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CHRIST IS RISEN.

He is not here; for he is risen, as he said. Come see the place where the Lord lay.

Now is Christ risen from the dead and become the first fruits of them that slept.

This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses.

God hath both raised up the Lord, and will also raise up us by his own power.

That I may know him and the power of his resurrection.

God having raised up his son Jesus, sent him to bless you, in turning away every one of you from his iniquities.

Remember that Jesus Christ, of the seed of David, was raised from the dead according to my Gospel.

O Death, where is thy sting? O Grave, where is thy victory?

Because I live, ye shall live also.

And if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain. But now is Christ risen from the dead.

If ye then be risen with Christ seek those things which are above.

I am the resurrection and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead yet shall he live.

Jesus Christ hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by his resurrection from the dead.

I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive forevermore. I Thess. 4: 14-18.

For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.

For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.

For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

We are pleased to announce that arrangements are being perfected which will furnish our readers a rich treat in the way of contributions. It is our purpose to give the readers of the EVANGELIST the benefit of the best talent in the church. Below is a *partial* list of subjects with the names of the contributors. The list will be enlarged from time to time and the names of other contributors added. Brother H. M. Lichty, of Wray, Colorado, is rendering us very valuable assistance in this work.

B. C. Moomaw will contribute a series of articles on—

1. Predestined,
2. Called,
3. Justified,
4. Sanctified,
5. Glorified,
6. The Regeneration.

Jacob C. Cassel will write on—

1. Transformation,
2. Spirituality,
3. Our Church Paper—The principles that should control it,
4. Theological Schools—What they do not teach,
5. Anointing with oil in the name of the Lord,
6. Our Work—Its past, present and future.

H. M. Lichty will write on—

1. Women in Politics,
2. Women in the Professions,
3. Women in the Church,
4. Music in the Church,
5. Young Converts,
6. Living away from your own church.

J. C. Mackey will write on—

1. Some Great Preachers and what they teach us,
2. Talks to Young Men,
3. Prayer,
4. Our Ministry,
5. A Sermon,
6. (To be announced later.)

Professor J. Allen Miller, Dean of the Theological Department Ashland University will write a series of six articles on the Life and Work of St. Paul.

J. M. Tombaugh will write on—

1. Conversion,
2. The Atonement,
3. The Pulpit,
4. Occult Science and Religion,
5. The Young Minister,
6. The Children and the Church.

Sister Grossnickle has promised to write regularly for the Sisters department.

Brother Knepper, chairman of the National Conference will give some suggestions as to the work of the conference. Brother McFaden will continue his very interesting and suggestive articles on the Book and Tract Work. He has also promised to write on the National Mission work, one article on the subject having already appeared.

The names of other contributors, with subjects will be announced later. We trust our readers will appreciate these efforts to furnish the church a better literature and do all they can to help us in the work.

THE EASTER JOY.

In the early ages of the Christian church, Easter Day was known as the Queen of Festivals. It well deserves this title. The crowning act in the life and work of Jesus—yea, in the history of the universe and the biography of God—was the resurrection of the Son of God. It is the pivotal fact in the Christian religion. Without it all is lost, hopeless, gloomy and dark; with it all is bright, joyous and happy. How little do we appreciate what the resurrection of Jesus is to us! It assures us of our own resurrection; it settles forever the question of personal immortality; it gives us larger views of life, lifts us up on a higher plain of existence; it is a great power in individual life, in the church, in the nation, in the world of humanity.

Easter Day is a day of rejoicing to all. We have heard so much of wrong, defalcations, breaches of truth, murders, suicides, and other crimes that we have almost despaired of hope. Again and again there has come to us the sad lament that the world is growing worse, that crime and sin are on the increase. Then as a harbinger of hope, to dispel the gloom and darkness, comes the happy festival of Easter Day. It preaches through all the ministry and all the churches a cheerful Gospel—a Gospel of hope and comfort. True, sin abounds indeed; but grace doth much more abound, for an all sufficient Savior was crucified, dead and buried, and has risen from the grave, sitting on the Father's right hand, and offers mercy, forgiveness, loving-kindness and great solemn gladness.

This gladness and joy we should carry to those who know it not. With happy hearts let us, like the women of old, bear the news of the resurrection comfort, to earth's hopeless ones. With another, let us say, Oh for more Easter lilies, flowers